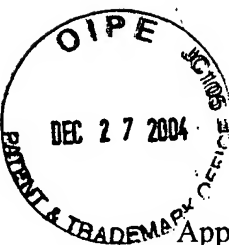


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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated September 23, 2004, applicant hereby amends Paragraph 23 of the application, and amends all Claims of the application as follows:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop NON-FEE AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450, on this 23 day of December, 2004.

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Dated:

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